Patent Attorney's Docket No. <u>004906-148</u>



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Pa	atent Application of)				
Evelyne	e PRAT et al	Group Art Unit: 1754				
Application No.: 08/765,901)) Examiner: S. Hendrickson ,				
Filed:	January 7, 1997	Confirmation No.: 6723				
	CONCENTRATED SUSPENSION PRECIPITATION SILICA, METHODS OF PREPARATION AND UTILISATION OF SAID SUSPENSION)	Confirmation No.: 6723				
	AMENDMENT/REPLY TR	ANSMITTAL LETTER				
	nt Commissioner for Patents gton, D.C. 20231					
Sir:						
End	closed is a reply for the above-identified p	atent application.				
[]	A Petition for Extension of Time is also	enclosed.				
[]	A Terminal Disclaimer and the [] \$55.00 (2814) [] \$110.00 (1814) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.					
[]	Also enclosed is/are					
[]	Small entity status is hereby claimed.					
[]	[] Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and er the [] \$375.00 (2801) [] \$750.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)					
	[] Applicant(s) previously submitted _ is requested.	, on, for which continued examination				
[]	Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.					
[]	A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.					
[]	No additional claim fee is required.					
[X]	An additional claim fee is required, and	is calculated as shown below:				

AMENDED CLAIMS							
	No. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDT'L FEE		
Total Claims	32	MINUS 25 =	7	× \$18.00 (1202) =	\$126.00		
Independent Claims	6	MINUS 3 =	3	× \$84.00 (1201) =	\$252.00		
lf Amendment adds m	nultiple depe	ndent claims, add	\$280.00 (120	03)			
Total Amendment Fee							
If small entity status is	s claimed, su	ubtract 50% of Tota	al Amendmer	nt Fee	· 		
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT							

- [] A claim fee in the amount of \$ is enclosed.
- [X] Charge \$ 378.00 to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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